

**ARIZONA GAME AND FISH DEPARTMENT
HABITAT PARTNERSHIP COMMITTEE
HABITAT ENHANCEMENT AND WILDLIFE MANAGEMENT PROPOSAL**

Game Branch / HPC Project Number: _____

PROJECT INFORMATION

Project Title: New Water Catchment Archaeological Clearances

Region and Game Management Unit: 15A/15B/18A

Local Habitat Partnership Committee (LHPC):

- Kingman HPC

Was the project presented to the LHPC?

YES[] NO[X]

Has this project been submitted in previous years? YES[] NO[X]

If Yes, was it funded? YES[] NO[] → **Funded HPC Project #(s):**

Project Type: Archaeological Clearances

Brief Project Summary: Contract archaeological clearance services to be conducted on 4 proposed water catchments for pronghorn and 1 for bighorn sheep.

Big Game Wildlife Species to Benefit (% benefit per species) : Pronghorn, Bighorn sheep, Mule Deer, Elk, Javelina

Implementation Schedule (Month/Day/Year):

Project Start Date: January 2016

Project End Date: December 2016

Environmental Compliance:

NEPA Completed: Yes[] No[] N/A[X]

Projected Completion Date: _____

State Historic Preservation Office - Archaeological Clearance:
(Provide Attachment)

Yes[] No[] N/A[X]

Projected Completion Date: _____

Arizona Game and Fish Department EA Checklist: N/A[X]

To be Completed by: _____

Projected Completion Date: _____

PROJECT FUNDING

Special Big Game License Tag Funds Requested:

\$ 7,500

Cost Share or Matching Funds:

\$

Total Project Costs:

\$7,500

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Applicant (please print):

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Date:

September 1, 2015

AGFD Contact and Phone No. (If applicant is not AGFD personnel):

Project has been coordinated with:

Regional staff, Bureau of Land Management

NEED STATEMENT – PROBLEM ANALYSIS:

Archaeological clearances for 5 proposed water catchments need to be completed before any other work can begin.

PROJECT OBJECTIVES:

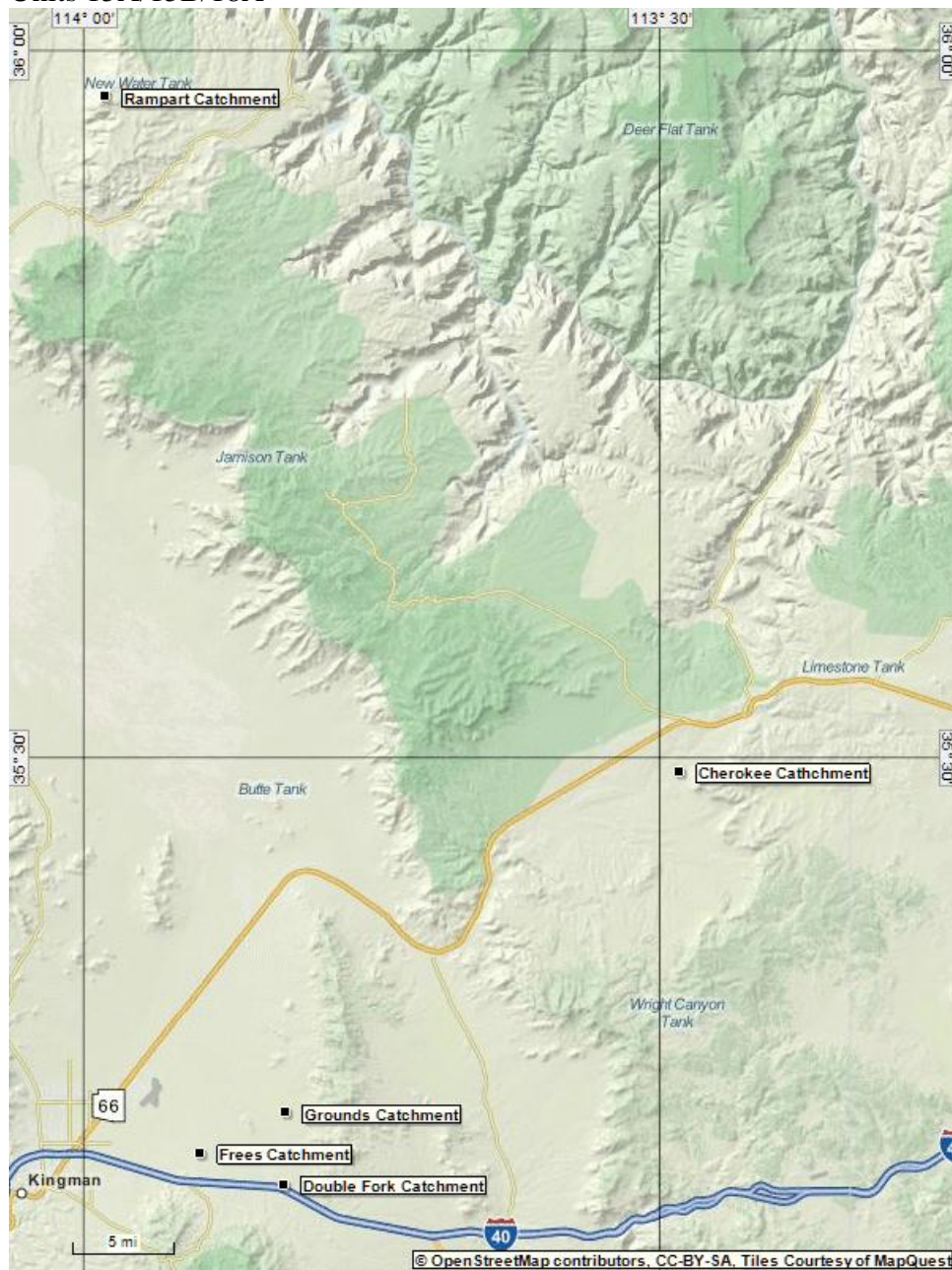
Provide first step of environmental clearance paperwork for 5 proposed water catchments.

PROJECT DESCRIPTION AND STRATEGIES:

Contract archaeological services.

PROJECT LOCATION

Units 15A/15B/18A



LAND OWNERSHIP AT THE PROJECT SITE(S):

Arizona State Land Department and Bureau of Land Management

Not a private property issue.

*IF PRIVATE PROPERTY, IS THERE A COOPERATIVE BIG GAME STEWARDSHIP or
LANDOWNER AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LANDOWNER AND THE
DEPARTMENT?*

YES[] NO[] N/A[X]

HABITAT DESCRIPTION:

Habitat characteristics are extremely varied, with extreme elevation changes ranging from 850 in the lower Hualapai Valley, to 2,179 on Mt. Tipton. This variability lends to diverse vegetative communities of Mohave Desert shrub in the lowest elevations dominated by Creosote Bush. Middle elevations are more variable depending on aspect, with vegetation ranging from juniper-grassland, blackbrush, singleleaf pinyon stands, pinyon-juniper forest, to Arizona interior chaparral. The pinyon-juniper stands and the chaparral extend into the highest elevations where they mix with small stands of ponderosa pine on the north and east sides of Mount Tipton Peak, and the highest elevations of the Music Mountains. This diverse vegetative ecosystem provides habitat for a wide array of wildlife species.

ITEMIZED USE OF FUNDS:

Special Big Game License Tag Funds

Approximately \$1,500.00 per proposed water catchment clearance.

Cost Share or Matching Funds

Although not relevant for this proposal, future matching funds will likely be available from BLM for water catchment construction.

LIST COOPERATORS AND DESCRIBE POTENTIAL PARTICIPATION:

Arizona State Land Department and BLM will provide cost share environmental clearance work and matching funds will likely be available from BLM for water catchment construction.

**WOULD IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS PROJECT ASSIST IN PROVIDING,
MAINTAINING, OR FACILITATING RECREATIONAL ACCESS?**

YES[X] NO[] N/A[]

PROJECT MONITORING PLAN:

NA

PROJECT MAINTENANCE:

NA

PROJECT COMPLETION REPORT TO BE FILED BY:

Erin Butler

WATER DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (please use the worksheet below):

NA

TREE CLEARING/REMOVAL PROJECTS (please use the worksheet below):

NA

ATTACHMENTS:

(Please provide cultural clearance documentation from land management agency, e.g., FONSI, Inventory Standards, etc. Also attach any project pictures)

None